Additional Sources of Funding

National Children's Center for Rural and Agricultural Health and Safety Mini-Grant Program Application deadline: Jul 14, 2007

The goal of the NCCRAHS Mini-grant program is to support feasibility and pilot projects in the outreach, prevention/intervention, education, and research areas within NIOSH's National Center for Childhood Agricultural Injury Prevention. Funds are designated for short-term projects with a maximum duration of 12 months and maximum funding of \$15,000. Organizations and individuals throughout the United States are eligible to apply for funds. Funds are allocated to support projects that:

- 1. Test innovative strategies in the prevention of childhood agricultural illness and injury.
- Strengthen partnerships between safety professionals, agricultural organizations, and the media.
- 3. Translate research findings into practical applications.

http://www.marshfieldclinic.org/nfmc/pages/default.aspx?page=nccrahs minigrants

Kresge Capital Challenge Grant Program

Application deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Capital Challenge Grant Program

Building nonprofit sustainability through capital challenge grants

A capital campaign can do much more than build a building. It can strengthen your organization, fuel its growth, and extend and enrich the connections that make the organization effective and sustainable in your community.

A capital campaign provides an opportunity to reach out to new donors and volunteers, helping them understand the value of your mission and your organization. It is about relationships: nurturing old ones and developing new ones. It is about learning and planning the best ways to operate your organization with what you have now—and what you will have in the future.

Through this Capital Challenge Grant Program, we provide an incentive and a tool your organization can use to build long-term relationships with donors and volunteer leaders beyond the building project. The challenge requires organizations to meet 100% of their fund raising goals. The solicitation process provides organizations an opportunity to make a compelling case to stakeholders to contribute to the immediate capital need and then beyond for ongoing operating needs.

We invest in organizations that have engaged boards, capable senior staff, loyal donors, and committed volunteers. We believe that a healthy, sustainable nonprofit can deliver the greatest benefit to the community it serves.

http://www.kresge.org/content/displaycontent.aspx?CID=24

Youth Service America Youth Venture Program

Application deadline: Aug 13, 2007

Grants to young people nationwide who are interested in starting their own sustainable social Ventures.

Examples of possible Ventures include:

A youth center designed to keep youth out of trouble with music and art programs

An anti-peer pressure education campaign

A bike repair shop with a vocational training program

An assembly program touring inner city schools combining music with anti-drug/violence performances.

Ventures MUST be youth-led and designed to be a lasting, sustainable asset to the community.

Eligibility Applicants must be between the ages of 12-20.

Geographic coverage: Nationwide

Amount of funding: The Youth Venture Program provides a variety of resources including: a national network of like-minded young people, media opportunities, technical support, helpful toolkits and workshops as well as seed money funding of up to \$1,000 for start-up expenses.

Application process: Submission guidelines and the grant application may be downloaded from the Program web site.

http://www.raconline.org/funding/funding details.php?funding id=1378

Rural Health Fellows Program
Application deadline: Aug 31, 2007

A year-long, intensive program that will develop leaders who can articulate a clear and compelling vision for rural America.

Program web site

Sponsor National Rural Health Association

Deadlines August 31, 2007

Purpose The Rural Health Fellows (RHF) program is a year-long, intensive program that will develop leaders who can articulate a clear and compelling vision for rural America.

Fellows will gain valuable insights and build critical skills in three primary domains:

□ 1) Personal, team, and organizational leadership;

□ 2) Health policy analysis and advocacy;

□ 3) National Rural Health Association governance and structure. These ambitious learning and skill development objectives will be accomplished through a combination experiential and action learning, exposure to premier faculty and seasoned practitioners, and reinforcement through executive coaching and structured team assignments. Eligibility □ Applicants must either be members of the NRHA, apply to become members of the NRHA or be/become an affiliate member of their State Rural Health Association □ Applicants must have a sponsor to support travel/lodging expenses to attend 3 NRHA meetings: 1) The NRHA Rural Health Policy Institute in Washington DC--January; 2) The NRHA Annual Conference in New Orleans--May; ☐ The final RHF Graduation Ceremony in a location to be determined--November ☐ Applicants must be willing/able to commit to monthly conference calls as part of this program and complete a final project as a member of an Action Project Team ☐ Applicants must demonstrate a strong commitment to improving the health of all rural Americans and populations through appropriate and equitable health care services. This commitment must be demonstrated in the application essay as well as through the curriculum vitae/résumé of the applicant

Consumer Voices for Coverage: Strengthening State Advocacy Networks to Expand Health

Coverage

Application deadline: Sep 18, 2007

Funding to strengthen advocacy efforts to promote health care policies that will expand health insurance coverage.

Program http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp

web site <u>?ID=19855&c=EMC-FA132</u>

Sponsor Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Deadlines September 18, 2007

Purpose This program seeks to strengthen advocacy efforts to promote health care policies

that will expand health insurance coverage. Consumer Voices for Coverage will take advantage of the current groundswell of activity at the state level to reduce the large number of Americans living without health insurance. This program will support the important role that state-based consumer health advocacy can play in promoting innovative and comprehensive health reform efforts at the state and

national levels.

Eligibility Applicant organizations must be based in the United States. The program will fund

organizations in up to 10 states, with a maximum of one award per state, including the District of Columbia. To ensure that only one organization per state applies, all applicant organizations must register with the program by July 13, 2007 (3 p.m. ET).

The program will only fund proposals from one registered applicant per state.

Applicant organizations must:

 be consumer advocacy organizations with expertise in health care policy; operate statewide or have experience working with partners on a statewide basis;
□ have a state-level policy agenda;
□ have experience working with policy-makers, including state government officials, in developing health care policies;
□ have a history of engaging and collaborating with other consumer groups and key health care stakeholders such as business, government officials, labor, payers and providers; and
 □ have a 2007 operating budget at least equal to the level of annual funding requested; and
□ be nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

<u>Strategic Alliance Grant Program</u> Letter of Intent (Required): Jul 16, 2007 Application deadline: Oct 31, 2007

A grant program aimed at creating a strategic alliance with the American Dental Association (ADA) Foundation and other national or state-level organizations to mutually support one or more of the Foundation's mission areas.

Program http://www.adafoundation.org/ada/prod/adaf/index.a

web site sp

Sponsor <u>American Dental Association</u>

Deadlines Letter of Intent (Required): Jul 16, 2007

Application: October 31, 2007

Purpose The ADA Foundation seeks to create a strategic alliance with other national

or state-level organizations to mutually support one or more of the

Foundation's mission areas: dental research, education or access to care. Proposals that include a project that can be implemented during a 2-3 year time period will be given priority. This multi-year approach will provide for and support ongoing collaboration and communication between the ADAF and the strategic alliance organization. The goal of this new initiative is to enhance the ADA Foundation's ability to expand its measurable impact.

Eligibility Nonprofit, or publicly-funded, organizations based in the United States and its

territories will be considered. Organizations outside the dental community, as well as within, are encouraged to apply. Examples of qualified organizations

include the following:

□ National associations, federal agencies

	 Dental schools State associations, state health departments Foundations, national nonprofits, and museums State or national organizations that can carry out research, education or access initiatives to increase oral health awareness Other organizations with an interest in improving oral health of the public.
Geographic coverage	Nationwide
Amount of funding	Requests for up to \$100,000.

RFP Link:

http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10007664/adafoundation

M·A·C AIDS Fund Accepting Grant Applications for Treatment and Prevention Programs
Deadline: September 15, 2007

Grants of up to \$25,000 will be awarded to North American nonprofits working to address the link between poverty and AIDS, HIV/AIDS care, treatment adherence, and prevention.... Established by M·A·C Cosmetics, the M·A·C AIDS Fund supports men, women, and children affected by HIV/AIDS.

In an effort to streamline its funding, the fund has identified the following four crucial areas of need affecting the epidemic: 1) Link Between Poverty and AIDS — funding for basic needs such as food and housing to those living with HIV/AIDS; 2) Models of Care — developing hospitals and increasing the number of doctors and nurses in countries that need it the most; 3) Treatment Adherence — developing peer-based programs to help people adhere to their treatment regimes; and 4) Prevention — programs with a specific focus on high-risk populations such as youth, people over 50, and African Americans.

Grants are awarded to tax-exempt, nonprofit organizations with 501(c)(3) status that are directly associated with HIV/AIDS. A minimum of 80 percent of the total organization's budget must be directed to programs. The typical grant size ranges between \$5,000 and \$25,000, depending on scope of project and the fund's past history with an organization. With the exception of North American based charities, the M·A·C AIDS Fund does not accept unsolicited international grant proposals.

Grant applications are accepted year-round and proposals are reviewed and awarded quarterly (usually March, June, September, and December).

Contact:

http://www.macaidsfund.org/support/givingguidelines.html

National Breast Cancer Coalition Fund Announces Awards for Best Practices in Breast Cancer Advocacy

Deadline: July 15, 2007 (Phase I Nomination

The National Breast Cancer Coalition Fund, a grassroots organization dedicated to ending breast cancer through the power of action and advocacy, will award seven consumer-led grassroots advocacy organizations \$25,000 or \$50,000 in recognition of strategic, high-impact programs that address critical issues in the systems of research, access to quality care, and public policy. The awardees' programs will serve as models for other organizations across the United States. These awards are made possible by a grant from the Breast Cancer Fund of the National Philanthropic Trust.

NBCCF seeks a wide range of nominations and especially encourages organizations that serve diverse populations and the medically underserved to apply.

To be eligible for the awards, an organization must have 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) status and be a current, dues-paying member of NBCCF. (Organizations may join at the time of nomination.)

Visit the NBCCF Web site for complete program guidelines, eligibility requirements, and nomination procedures.

Contact:

<u>Link to Complete RFP</u> - http://web.raffa.com/nbccf/

National Patient Safety Foundation (NPSF) Research Grants Program

Letter of Intent (Required): Jul 11, 2007 Application deadline: Dec 5, 2007

Grants to stimulate new, innovative projects directed towards enhancing patient safety in the United States.

Program http://www.npsf.org/r/

web site

Sponsor

National Patient Safety Foundation

Deadlines Letter of Intent (Required): Jul 11, 2007

Application: December 5, 2007

Purpose The program's objective is to promote studies leading to the prevention of human

errors, system errors, patient injuries and the consequences of such adverse events in the health care setting. Letters of Intent are solicited for research and development that is broadly related to identifying the causes of preventable injuries and errors and/or developing prevention strategies and methods to implement

them.

Eligibility Any official member of a non-profit institution in the United States may apply.

Priority is given to investigations that are clearly relevant to patient safety. While

projects that promise improved methods of patient safety with a defined and direct path to implementation into patient care settings are encouraged, of equal importance are studies of problems for which deeper understanding is needed before effective solutions can be applied. Patient care setting is considered to be any environment in which health care is provided, including but not limited to inpatient, outpatient, extended care and home care.

Geographic coverage

Nationwide

Amount of funding

\$100,000.

French American Cultural Exchange Invites Universities and Colleges to Apply for Cinema Program Grants

Deadline: July 31, 2007; and October 1, 2007

The French American Cultural Exchange (http://facecouncil.org/) is accepting applications for the Tournées Festival, a program to help bring contemporary French cinema to college or university campuses in the United States.

The Tournées Festival was conceived to encourage schools to begin their own self-sustaining French film festivals. Since its inception, the program has partnered with hundreds of universities and made it possible for more than 250,000 students to discover French-language films.

Selected institutions will be awarded grants of \$1,800 each to show five films. The festival distributes approximately \$140,000 in grants annually.

The program has two application deadlines: July 31, 2007, for those who wish to program films in the fall semester, and October 1, 2007, for those scheduling their films for the spring semester.

Visit the FACE Web site for complete program information.

RFP Link:

http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10007658/facecouncil

American Academy of Pediatrics Accepting Applications for Community Access to Child Health Program Planning Funds

Deadline: July 31, 2007

The Community Access to Child Health Program (http://www.aap.org/catch/index.html) is a national program of the American Academy of Pediatrics (http://www.aap.org/) designed to

improve access to health care by supporting pediatricians and communities that are involved in community-based efforts for children.

The CATCH Planning Funds program provides grants in amounts from \$2,500 to \$12,000 for pediatricians to plan innovative, community-based initiatives that increase children's access to medical homes (http://www.medicalhomeinfo.org/) or specific health services not otherwise available.

Community-based projects develop broad-based collaborative community partnerships for the planning phase of child health initiatives -- for example, grassroots associations, parents and children, faith-based groups, local businesses, local public health service agencies, governmental and nongovernmental health agencies, and hospitals.

Planning project activities must lead to sustainable, community- based child health initiatives that increase access to care, especially for underserved children, and address health disparities among children. Activities may include needs assessments and community asset mapping, feasibility studies, community meetings/forums, focus groups, planning meetings, and development of grant proposals for future project implementation after the planning phase is complete.

A pediatrician must lead the project and be significantly involved in proposal development and project activities. Only applicants from the United States and its territories are eligible to apply. Applications may be submitted by AAP members and non-members.

For complete program guidelines and application procedures, see the AAP Web site.

RFP Link:

http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10007663/aap

Applications Invited for Arts Journalism Institute in Classical Music and Opera

Deadline: July 31, 2007

With support from the National Endowment for the Arts (http://www.nea.gov/), Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism (http://www.jrn.columbia.edu/) will host the fourth annual Arts Journalism Institute in Classical Music and Opera.

This intensive eleven-day workshop brings writers and editors from across the United States to New York City for a total immersion in the world of classical music and opera. Participants will attend at least eight performances, participate in writing workshops, take short classes in music history, and meet with leaders in the field, from administrators of New York's primary music institutions to critics and writers at major U.S. publications. The 2007 institute will take place October 14-24.

The institute is designed for American journalists, especially those covering the arts outside of the top media markets, who wish to refresh their perspective or gain new knowledge and contacts in the field of classical music and opera. No specialized musical knowledge is required. Staff writers, editors, freelancers, and part-time writers are welcome to apply.

Most expenses, including travel and accommodation (if needed) are covered by the institute.

Visit the Columbia Graduate School of Journalism Web site for further information.

RFP Link: http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10007666/columbia

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Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation Announces New Nursing Research Grants Program Deadline: August 1, 2007

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation (http://www.alexslemonade.org/), a unique foundation that evolved from a young cancer patient's front-yard lemonade stand to a nationwide fundraising movement to find a cure for childhood cancer, has announced its new Nursing Research Grants Program. The program is designed to support nursing research that will enhance the quality of care and life for children with cancer.

There are three categories of funding:

Pediatric Oncology Nursing Small Project Grants will provide up to \$10,000 each to support the efforts of beginning nurse researchers to accomplish small research projects with both mentor and institutional support. A minimum of three small project grants will be awarded each year.

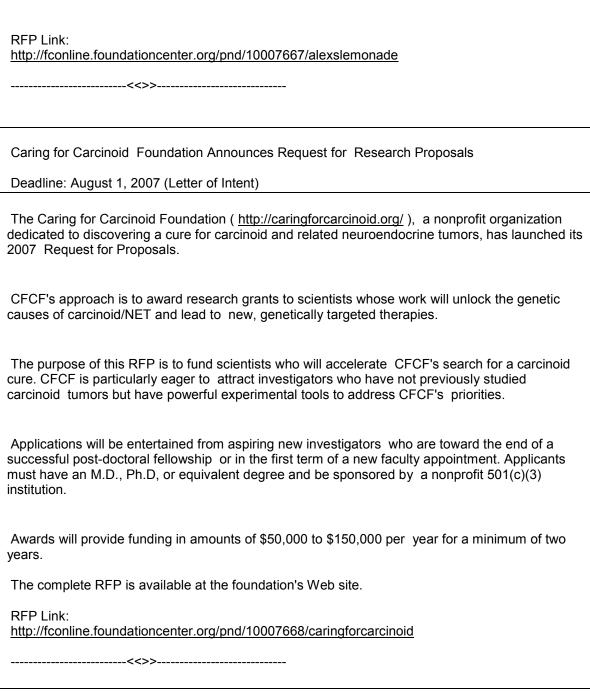
Pediatric Oncology Nursing Mid-Level Project Grants will provide up to \$20,000 each to financially support efforts of more experienced nurse researchers to accomplish research projects with the support and commitment of the institution where they practice. A minimum of three mid-level project awards will be given each year.

The Distinguished Pediatric Oncology Nurse Researcher Grant will provide up to \$50,000 for an experienced nurse researcher who requires seed money to investigate topics and issues related to the quality of nursing care and the quality of life for children with cancer. At least one Distinguished Pediatric Oncology Nurse Researcher Grant will be awarded each year. Demonstration of a career plan that shows commitment to pediatric cancer nursing is a critical component of a successful application.

At all levels of funding, the aim of the project must include plans to disseminate findings to improve nursing care of children with cancer consistent with the goals of the foundation. The foundation will place a priority on grant applications that are focused on the discovery and testing of innovative approaches to the nursing care of children with cancer and projects to improve the quality of life for these children.

Funds will be granted to nonprofit institutions or organizations operating in the United States or Canada. Researchers need not be U.S. citizens.

Visit the foundation's Web site for complete program information and application instructions.



Michael J. Fox Foundation Invites Biotechnology/Pharmaceutical Companies to Apply for Therapeutics Development Initiative

Deadline: July 17, 2007; and January 24, 2008 (Pre-proposals)

The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (http://www.michaeljfox.org/) has announced its 2007-08 Therapeutics Development Initiative, which is designed to promote industry investment in pre-clinical research for Parkinson's disease. Through the initiative the foundation will commit up to

\$5 million in total funding to drive translational Parkinson's Disease research that otherwise would be likely stall.

The initiative aims to expand current industry investment in PD, and bring new players to the table, by adding MJFF capital to bio- technology/pharmaceutical companies' own in an effort to absorb some portion of the risk of investment in novel PD therapeutics.

Applications may be submitted by U.S. and non-U.S. biotechnology/ pharmaceutical companies or other for-profit entities, either publicly or privately held.

MJFF will commit up to \$5 million in total funding for the initiative and intends to fund multiple proposals. There is no set budget limit, but the project period will not exceed two years.

The program will have two grant cycles, the first in autumn 2007 and the second in spring 2008.

For more information or to apply for funding, visit the MJFF Web site.

RFP Link:

http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10007669/michaeljfox

American Management Association and Leader to Leader Institute Announce New Scholarship Program for Nonprofit Leaders

Deadline: November 15, 2007

The American Management Association (http://www.amanet.org/) and the Leader to Leader Institute (http://leadertoleader.org/) have established the AMA Scholarship Program to assist social sector nonprofit organizations in developing "the strong leaders today who will lead the organizations of the future."

AMA has allocated funding for seventy-five scholarships to be administered by the Leader to Leader Institute. Scholarship benefits include one management education and professional development seminar offered by AMA; one year of individual member benefits, including access to members-only Web site, subscriptions to e-newsletters and journals, and discount pricing on all other AMA products and services; and a one-year membership with the Leader to Leader Institute, including subscription to Leader to Leader Journal and discounts on the institute's publications and services.

The AMA Scholarship Program is available to a range of non-profit organizations representing the social sector across the United States. To be eligible, a candidate must be an employee of a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization or operate under the fiscal sponsorship of a 501(c)(3); have a minimum of three years of work experience in the social sector; and receive nomination by the Executive Director/CEO of their sponsoring organization (if candidate is the ED/CEO, then nomination by the board).

Visit the Leader to Leader Institute Web site for complete program information.

RFP Link:

Piper Fund Offers Support for Campaign Finance Reform Projects

Deadline: July 16, 2007

The Piper Fund, a project of the Proteus Fund (http://proteusfund.org/), was established to help meet the needs of the growing movement for campaign finance reform in America. Each year, the fund invites state-based organizations working toward comprehensive campaign finance reform to apply for funding.

The fund focuses its resources on efforts to establish public financing of campaigns and other mechanisms that provide an alternative to reliance on special interest campaign contributions and allow new voices and communities to compete in the electoral arena. Funding will support research documenting the flow of money in the political system, public education, and projects to improve campaign disclosure laws and regulations. Piper also occasionally considers unique projects that may provide important lessons for the reform community, such as strategies designed to engage new constituencies in reform efforts or explore experimental tactics.

Funding will be provided to organizations with 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) tax-exempt status, or programs with an eligible fiscal sponsor.

Entry-level grants are offered in the range of \$10,000 to \$50,000 each.

Visit the Piper Fund Web site for complete program information.

(Please note: As Piper will be further evaluating these guidelines at a meeting in the middle of June, applicants should check back the week of June 25, 2007, to see if any additional information/criteria has been added.)

RFP Link:

http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10007671/proteusfund

Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation Seeks Research Proposals Targeting Fronto-Temporal Dementia

Deadline: Open

The Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation(http://alzdiscovery.org/) is a public charity dedicated to rapidly accelerating the discovery and development of drugs to prevent, treat, and cure Alzheimer's disease and cognitive aging.

Research investigating the pathologic mechanisms of neuro-degeneration in frontotemporal dementia (FTD) and related disorders has advanced recently, creating new potential targets for drug discovery. ADDF seeks to accelerate and support drug discovery for FTD and related dementias through this Request for Proposals.

Examples of programs appropriate for this RFP include, but are not limited to, identification and in vitro testing of potentially disease modifying lead compounds; development and testing of novel high throughput screening assays; medicinal chemistry on lead compounds; testing of lead compounds in a relevant animal model for preclinical proof of concept; ADME, toxicology, pharmacokinetics, or pharmacodynamics on lead compounds; development and testing of targeted gene delivery strategies; and development of biomarkers to accelerate drug

development and early diagnosis. (Note: This RFP does not support applications for basic research funding.)

ADDF will provide individual grants of up to \$250,000 total costs for one year. Collaborations between investigators with experience in neurobiology and drug discovery disciplines such as medicinal chemistry and drug delivery are encouraged to apply.

Applications may be submitted by nonprofit academic institutions and for-profit biotechnology companies, public and private, national and international.

Visit the ADDF Web site for additional information on this funding opportunity.

RFP Link: http://www.alzdiscovery.org/ For additional RFPs in Aging, visit:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat aging.jhtml

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Retirement Research Foundation Accepting Grant Applications for General Program Deadline: August 1, 2007

The Retirement Research Foundation (http://www.rrf.org/) is committed to supporting programs that improve the quality of life for older persons in the United States.

The foundation's General Program funds service, education, research, and advocacy projects. The foundation is particularly interested in innovative projects that have the potential to change practice, policy, or delivery systems.

Funding for direct service projects that do not have the potential to change practice, policy, or delivery systems is limited to nonprofit agencies in Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Missouri, Wisconsin, and Florida. The foundation is also committed to supporting the Chicago metropolitan area and gives priority to nonprofit organizations serving the area.

Funding is not available for construction of facilities; general operating expenses of established organizations; endowment or developmental campaigns; grants to individuals; projects outside the United States; dissertation research; production of films and videos; or projects of governmental organizations except for state universities, Area Agencies on Aging, and programs of the Veterans Administration.

Funding is not generally available for biomedical research; computer equipment; or conferences, publications, or travel unless they are components of other larger foundation-funded projects.

More than three years of support generally is not provided.

Second- and third-year funding of an approved project will depend on progress achieved during the first and second years.

Grant applications are normally considered three times a year.

The next deadline is August 1, 2007.

Visit the RFF Web site for further information.

RFP Link: http://www.rrf.org/forapplicants/programguide.html

For additional RFPs in Aging, visit:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat aging.jhtml

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Do Something Offering Weekly Grants for Young Social Entrepreneurs

Deadline: Rolling

Do Something (http://www.dosomething.org/) is a not-for-profit organization that works to inspire, support, and celebrate young social entrepreneurs and community activists. The organization is accepting applications for the following grant programs:

Do Something and GameStop (http://www.gamestop.com/) are offering grants of \$500 each to young people, age 25 and younger, in the United States or Canada who have a great idea for a community-action project and need support to turn their idea into reality.

GameStop grants are given out weekly.

Do Something and Plum TV (http://www.plumtv.com/) are offering grants of \$500 each to social entrepreneurs, age 25 and younger, in the U.S. who have recently created a sustainable project, program, or organization and need funding to further the growth and success of their program. Plum TV grants are given out weekly.

Visit the Do Something Web site for complete program information and application forms.

RFP Link: http://www.dosomething.org

For additional RFPs in Children and Youth, visit: http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat_children.jhtml

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National Gardening Association Invites Entries for the Youth Garden Grants Program

Deadline: November 1, 2007

The National Gardening Association has announced that Home Depot (http://www.homedepot.com/) has returned as sponsor of its Youth Garden Grants program. For more than twenty years, the Youth Garden Grants program has helped youngsters reap rewards and life lessons from working in gardens and outdoor habitats.

NGA awards Youth Garden Grants to schools and community organizations with child-centered, outdoor garden programs. In evaluating grant applications, priority will be given to programs that emphasize one or more of these elements: educational focus and/or curricular ties (if applicant is a formal education program); nutrition or plant-to-food connections; environmental awareness/education; entrepreneurship; and social aspects of gardening such as leadership development, team building, community support, and/or service-learning.

Schools, youth groups, community centers, camps, clubs, treatment facilities, and intergenerational groups throughout the United States are eligible to apply. Applicants must plan to garden in 2007 with at least fifteen children between the ages of 3 and 18. Previous Youth Garden Grant winners who wish to reapply must wait one year and have significantly expanded their garden programs.

In 2008, 150 programs will receive gift cards from Home Depot for the purchase of gardening materials and supplies particular to the needs of their program, along with an activity package from NGA. The top fifty programs will receive gift cards valued at \$500, and an additional one hundred programs will receive \$250 gift cards.

Fifty grants will be awarded to start-up programs that are just beginning or have yet to break ground, while one hundred will be awarded to established programs that have completed one or more seasons of outdoor gardening. Both categories are eligible to receive top-level \$500 grants.

Visit the NGA Web site for complete program details and application procedures.

RFP Link: http://assoc.garden.org/grants/

For additional RFPs in Children and Youth, visit: http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat_childrent.jhtml

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Entries Sought for MetLife Foundation Community College Excellence Award

Deadline: August 31, 2007

The MetLife Foundation (http://www.jff.org/) and Jobs for the Future (http://www.jff.org/)

invite community colleges across the United States to apply for the 2008 MetLife Community College Excellence Award. The award is given to colleges that are especially effective in helping students from underserved populations to succeed in postsecondary learning.

The award will honor two community colleges for their institution-wide commitment to helping low-income students, first-generation college-goers, and working adults enter and succeed in postsecondary education.

The award rewards colleges that demonstrate effective strategies and promising outcomes in one or more of the following categories:

high-quality and flexible instructional programs that address obstacles to the successful completion of courses and programs; academic, social, and financial supports that help at-risk populations persist and succeed in postsecondary programs; effective strategies to create smooth transitions from secondary education for at-risk high school students, high school graduates, and out- of-school youth; and more seamless transitions into and through college-level courses (e.g., from developmental education and ESL to credit programs; from non-credit programs to credit programs; transfer to four-year institutions; etc.).

Each of two winners will receive a \$30,000 award and national recognition. Any public, accredited community college can apply.

Visit the JFF Web site for more information and to apply online.

RFP Link:

http://www.jff.org/Content/Current+Projects Building+Economic+

Opportunity+for+Adults_MetLife+Foundation+Community+College+Excellence+A ward.html

For additional RFPs in Education, visit:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat education.jhtml

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Sidney Hillman Foundation Journalism Awards to Honor Social Justice Work Deadline: January 31, 2008

The Sidney Hillman Foundation (http://www.hillmanfoundation.org/) annually recognizes journalists, writers, and public figures whose work promotes social and economic justice.

The foundation's journalism awards are given in the following categories: Books (nonfiction); Newspaper Reporting; Magazine Reporting; Broadcast Journalism (includes television and radio); Photojournalism; and Blogs.

The 2008 awards will be given for work produced, published, or exhibited in 2007. Editors, photo editors, producers, reporters, bloggers, and authors are urged to submit nominations throughout the year.

Winners are awarded a \$2,000 prize and a plaque.

Complete awards program information is available at the foundation's Web site.

RFP Link: http://www.hillmanfoundation.org/index.html

For additional RFPs in Journalism/Media, visit:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat journalism.jhtml

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American Lung Association and National Sleep Foundation Launch Fellowship Award Deadline: September 4, 2007

The American Lung Association (http://www.lungusa.org/) and the National Sleep Foundation (http://www.sleepfoundation.org/) have announced the creation of the ALA/NSF Pickwick

Fellowship Award. The award will provide a promising new investigator grant monies to conduct sleep research, specifically as it relates to breathing.

Applicants must have a sponsor and plan to conduct research in a recognized U.S. laboratory or program of study with strong mentoring in the appropriate area. Non-U.S. citizens are eligible.

Candidates must have received an M.D., D.V.M., Ph.D., or D.O.

degree by the time the fellowship begins in July 2008. The degree or subsequent training must have been completed within the past five years. Fellowships are available for basic, applied, or clinical research.

NSF/ALA Pickwick Fellows receive funding based on the National Institutes of Health (http://www.nih.gov/) National Research Service Award schedule, which is based on years of postdoctoral experience. The funding amount for the ALA/NSF award is for two years, with the second year of support dependent on satisfactory progress in the first year.

Application information is available at the National Sleep Foundation Web site. RFP Link:

http://www.sleepfoundation.org/site/c.hulXKjM0lxF/b.2726685/k.7737/

ALANSF Pickwick Fellowship.htm

For additional RFPs in Medical Research, visit:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat medical research.jhtml

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American Health Assistance Foundation Invites Letters of Intent

for Macular Degeneration Research

Deadline: July 11, 2007 (Letters of Intent)

Macular Degeneration Research, a program of the American Health Assistance Foundation (http://www.ahaf.org/), was established to fund research on and educate the public about macular degeneration.

AHAF invites researchers to submit Letters of Intent to apply for research grants into the cause(s) of and treatment(s) for macular degeneration. Any area of research is eligible for grant support, but potential relevance to macular degeneration will be an important component of the funding evaluation. The foundation is particularly interested in receiving letters from new investigators and from established investigators seeking to explore new directions in macular degeneration research. Collaborative projects are also encouraged.

Grants are available to United States and international applicants.

Awards provide a maximum of \$50,000 per year for up to two years.

Instructions for submitting a Letter of Intent are available at the AHAF Web site.

RFP Link: http://www.ahaf.org/macular/research/maresrch.htm

For additional RFPs in Medical Research, visit:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat medical research.jhtml

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American Management Association and Leader to Leader Institute Announce New Scholarship Program for Nonprofit Leaders

Deadline: November 15, 2007

The American Management Association (http://www.amanet.org/) and the Leader to Leader Institute (http://www.leadertoleader.org/) have established the AMA Scholarship Program to assist social sector nonprofit organizations in developing "the strong leaders today who will lead the organizations of the future."

AMA has allocated funding for seventy-five scholarships to be administered by the Leader to Leader Institute. Scholarship benefits include one management education and

professional development seminar offered by AMA; one year of individual member benefits, including access to members-only Web site, subscriptions to e-newsletters and journals, and discount pricing on all other AMA products and services; and a one-year membership with the Leader to Leader Institute, including subscription to Leader to Leader Journal and discounts on the institute's publications and services.

The AMA Scholarship Program is available to a range of non-profit organizations representing the social sector across the United States. To be eligible, a candidate must be an employee of nonprofit 501(c) (3) charitable organization or operate under the fiscal sponsorship of a 501(c) (3); have a minimum of three years of work experience in the social sector; and receive nomination by the Executive Director/CEO of their sponsoring organization (if candidate is the ED/CEO, then nomination by the board).

Visit the Leader to Leader Institute Web site for complete program information. RFP Link:

http://www.leadertoleader.org/collaboration/ama/index.html

For additional RFPs in Philanthropy and Voluntarism, visit: http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat_philanthropy.jhtml

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Entries Invited for Peter F. Drucker Award for Nonprofit

Innovation

Deadline: August 13, 2007

The Peter F. Drucker Award for Nonprofit Innovation is given each November to three U.S. nonprofit organizations in recognition of an innovative, existing program that has made a difference in the lives of the people it serves. Peter Drucker's definition of innovation -- "change that creates a new dimension of performance" -- is key to consideration for the award. The Peter F. Drucker and Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management at Claremont Graduate University administer the award.

The award is accompanied by a first-place prize of \$35,000 and two runners-up prizes of \$7,500 and \$5,000. The cash prizes are unrestricted and designed to celebrate and further the work of innovative nonprofit organizations in the United States.

Applications must be submitted by the organization responsible for the program; third-party nominations will not be accepted.

The organization must be a registered, U.S.-domiciled, 501(c)(3) nonprofit entities serving a U.S. population, and the program must be fully operational at the time of application submission.

Complete program information and entry instructions are available at the Drucker School Web site.

RFP Link: http://www.cgu.edu/pages/2420.asp

For additional RFPs in Philanthropy and Voluntarism, visit:

http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat_philanthropy.jhtml

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Public Welfare Foundation Announces Special Initiative on Paid Sick Days

Deadline: Open

The Washington, D.C.-based Public Welfare Foundation (http://www.publicwelfare.org/) has launched a two-year,

\$1 million Special Initiative on Paid Sick Days. The goal of this initiative is to put in place policies that will secure paid sick days for American workers.

The Public Welfare Foundation seeks proposals that will work toward establishing paid sick leave as a minimum labor standard, so that workers will no longer have to choose between going

to work sick or losing pay and facing disciplinary action. The foundation is open to any number of strategies to achieve this goal and will consider work at the local, state, and national levels. Proposals should be specific about their goals and intended impact, and the time frame in which that impact would occur.

Among the areas to be considered are organizing at the local, state, and/or national levels for paid sick leave policies; policy work to assess existing sick day policies and laws as well as to develop new policy proposals; research and efforts to engage the business community by demonstrating the benefits of paid sick days in terms of employee satisfaction, employee retention, and public health; and coordination of efforts, so that organizations engaged in work to promote paid sick days can share lessons and strategies. The foundation will also welcome additional ideas.

Interested applicants should send a Letter of Inquiry to the foundation. Foundation staff will review the Letter of Inquiry within thirty days and request a proposal for promising ideas.

Visit the foundation's Web site for complete program details and application procedures. RFP Link: http://www.publicwelfare.org for additional RFPs in Public Affairs, visit: http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/cat public affairs.jhtml